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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings IASACers!

Welcome to another great issue of the Silver Bugle, and a big THANK YOU to all that make it happen!

By the time you read this my family and I will have returned from our east coast vacation visiting family members in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

This brings up an interesting topic we haven't discussed lately. That is, what unusual places have you found your silver art? Has it been a neighborhood shop or outside of your hometown at coin shows, flea markets, swap meets or garage sales? Has it been a discovery made while driving down a country road? That's where we met a very friendly coin hobbyist at a flea market in Limerick, PA, who had a weekend booth filled with wonderful coins and a few pieces of silver art. The best part about this man was not his inventory, it was his warm and winning personality.

With 90% silver coinage being out of circulation for almost 40 years, silver art and collecting brings the best of two hobbies together! That's what makes collecting so special. Do you have any stories to share?

Wishing you the best of good buys!

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Note from your Editor:

This is the time of the year Linda and I start making our plans for the coming IASAC annual show. We are ready when the September flight specials are announced so we can get the times we want at a price we can afford. We look at the annual show as a short vacation and an opportunity to meet new friends and members as well as renewing friendships with other club officials that are able to make the meeting.

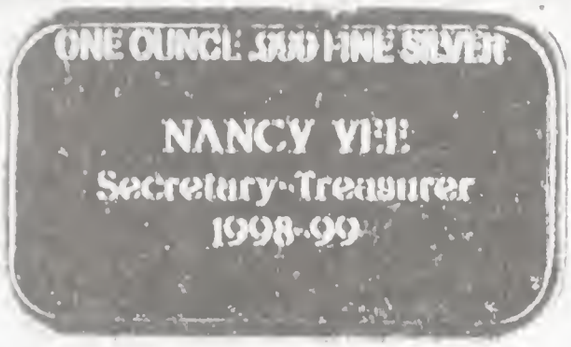
I suggest that any of you who can set aside the September 21st weekend to start thinking "IASAC Annual Meeting" now and plan to be in Virginia for the 2001 show.

I think we should all drop Nancy a note between now and the show and thank her for all she does "Above and Beyond" her job duties. Our BUGLE has gotten better every month. Again, thanks to Nancy and her additions. She has a way of making the Mailbag look good and of keeping us informed about a lot of club member information.

I want to give my thanks to Stephanie O'Neil for her many additions to the Bugle - and the nice informative articles and tidbits. I'm sure others have stories they could share with the membership. Send them to Nancy.

We dropped 18 members from the membership list. We cannot afford to print the Bugles, and send them to a members who don't renew their membership. Our $10.00 renewal fee is very small if compared to many other clubs. I see many names on the list that I have known for years. I hope everything is well with them. Maybe they have a new hobby and are having as much fun as many of the current IASAC members are having.

Enjoy this Bugle, get started on the club Art Bar design and start making plans for the annual show in September. Rebember to send those interesting articles for the next Bugle to Nancy.



Secretary-Treasurer's Report 6/2001

I'm happy to report we have our meeting site for this year's annual convention. **Paul Singleton** of the **Virginia Numismatic Association** has been most helpful in providing information about their 43rd annual show, which will be held the weekend of Sept. 21-23 at Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale. A map showing the location and proximity to the two main airports is included in this issue of *The Bugle*. Dulles is approximately 20 miles away, and National is 10-12 miles.

The closest hotel is the Fairfax Park Marriott at milepost 50 on I-495. The direct line to the hotel is 1-703-849-9400. Paul notes that this has been well liked by many of the dealers who attend. Also a possibility, the Tyson's Corner Marriott is about 4 miles away at milepost 46. That number is 1-703-734-3200. The Residence Inn Fair Lakes at Fairfax is also close by, and can be reached at 1-703-266-4900.

Now would also be a good time to contact your local state legislator for tours of the White House, if interested. The area does not lack for sightseeing opportunities. This should be a fun trip. There should also be plenty of ideas for our annual club bar. Please get your entries in asap!

After several requests for renewal payment, I'm sorry to say we had to drop a number of people from our membership roster. They include

Edward R. Dowell	Sam Bettis	Craig Mulligan
Lynn Jones	Donald F. Carringer	Nathan Austin
John F. Minges III	Yvon M. Cupidon	Kristi Tufte
Michael K. Welborn, Jr.	Carmine Ferratto	Douglas Epstein
John R. Denike	James G. Freeman	Art Biber
Mimi Radley	Jeff Shevlin	William Plum

We also dropped GPM, International of Greenwich CT even though their dues have been paid because mail has been returned twice. If anyone knows the new address, please drop me a note.

Congratulations to Harvey & Cassandra Chew on the birth of Kobey Karson. He arrived a few weeks early, on March 23rd. I was one of the lucky "aunties" who got to help out occasionally, giving mom, dad & grandma a break from the round-the-clock care they provided in the hospital. Kobey's home now, doing well and gaining weight. He's cute as a bug and big brothers Cort & Kamden are happy to have him home!

Have a great summer! Go M's!

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Treasury Update

Previous Balance	**$2106.44**
Income	
New memberships/renewals	$ 325.00
Advertising	45.00
1993 guide book sales	70.00
Cash donations	10.00
5% from Cassin Mail Bid sale	194.39
	$ 644.39
Expenses	
Postage	$ 73.61
Printing, April Bugle, stationery & envelopes	228.21
Miscellaneous office expenses	153.91
	$ 455.73
New Balance	**$2295.10**

Thanks to **Shawn Manley** and **Edward Wernle** for their donations of cash and stamps since the last issue of ***The Silver Bugle***. Thanks also to **Tim & Patty Cassin** and **Duane Spellman** for donating 5% of the recent mail bid sale of the **Bill & Nita Cassin** collection.

We are mailing **181** copies of this issue. Membership in IASAC is $15 ($25 foreign), renewable in January every year. Please send renewals in a self-addressed stamped envelope to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118. Include your FREE 25-word classified ad. The next deadline for ads is July 10, 2001.

Welcome to new members:

Janel Brown	Rapid City SD	(Potter)
Jay O'Connor	Virginia City NV	(Coin World)
Raymond Kyler	Red Bluff CA	(French/Asher)
Bill Bennett	Ormond Beach FL	

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From the Mailbag

We receive comments, questions and friendly greetings from members. Here is a sampling of these letters.

Chuck Diehl wrote to say, "I have been out of circulation for a while as I have had open heart surgery replacing my aortic valve with a pig valve, plus one vein bypass while they had me open. Everything is going good and it looks like I am doing fine. I greet everyone with an 'oink, oink' now instead of saying hello! Things don't happen quite as fast as they did before, but the doctor says that will pick up for me. The operation took about four hours, but I don't remember anything about it. My chest is healing great."

Jan Henke writes about several recent out-patient surgeries. A cataract was removed from his right eye, and the left eye will be scheduled later. He also had a skin cancer removed in early May. Take care, Jan!

Fred Grisa wrote to say how disgusted he was with a relative who sold his collection at spot. He said, "I had over 5.000 bars. Some very rare. Swiss bars, all ten kinds from #0 up to #100. I knew Mike from First Naional Bank."

Ralph Downey has made his second move in the past several months. He's now located in Lodi, California, and **Jerry Mengelkoch** is back in Hibbing, Minnesota for the summer.

Doug Jennings has decided to retire from teaching. He says, "Twenty-nine years of teaching 8th graders and coaching 61 seasons of athletics have taken a toll on me. I'm going to stay home and be Mr. Mom. I'll probably have to give up coaching, but that's okay; it's time for the young bucks to take over."

Archie Kidd's business Alpha Printing Co., Inc. is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Congratulations, Archie! He takes care of our entire club printing at cost, for which we are most grateful

Stephanie O'Neil wrote to say she was planning a short trip to St. Francisville, Louisiana. She said, "We plan to tour the Myrtles Plantation, among others. Wall St. Journal calls the Myrtles America's most haunted house."

From the Mailbag (cont.)

Lynnae Clark says, "thanks for the great puzzles. I really enjoy them " She enclosed a page of brainteasers. Look for some of them on another page.

Mike Sprouse writes, " I am starting to really enjoy playing with my website and building my silver bar pages. They are my first love in collecting and I am happy to share my duplicates and extras with the collecting community. Of course, prices are negotiable to club members if they want to dicker. More bars, rounds and Franklin Mint items are going on my site this summer as I find the time to add them. I hope to be able to come to one of the meetings someday and meet all of you wonderful people."

New member **Bill Bennett** says, "I have been collecting silver art bars since the seventies. I have a lot of bars from Greathouse. Is there any publication that shows their value or any internet sites that would be of value?

Lou Kretovics and his son are taking a dream trip to Alaska this July. They'll spend a week panning for gold about 12 miles out from Nome. Lou became interested in this hobby back in 1967 when he and a buddy got gold fever and headed for Colorado.

Chuck Luce sent a brief "hello," and **Cecil Jackson** sent greetings too.

Allen French says, "I love the newsletter. It is great."

Sandy Bearden also wrote to say she enjoys the ***Bugle***. She adds, "Hoping you're not in the energy crunch like we are here in California. We now work to pay for our PG & E bill!"

ALL ADS ARE DUE BY JULY 10, 2001

Send them to: IASAC Editor
20114 Saticoy St.
Winnetka, Calif. 91306.

Full Page.....$25.00
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Free classified ad to anyone renewing. Send to Nancy before the 10th.

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Meet Jay O'Connor #493

My wife, Pat, and I recently "retired" after having spent 30 years working with and training disabled and handicapped adults, in addition to raising and educating six children, 3 girls and 3 boys.

Now that the children have all left home we decided that we would leave home too. We moved from Roseburg, Oregon to Virginia City, Nevada and opened a gift shop, which is open 7 days per week. We have collected coins for many years and added bars and rounds the past several years.

We now feature silver rounds, bars, Nevada wild horse silver, Virginia City bars, etc. in our own store.

Virginia City is at 6200' elevation, the nation's largest historical landmark, and home of the Comstock Lode mining district. Mark Twain got his start in Virginia City. It is 40 minutes from Lake Tahoe, 35 minutes from Reno and 25 minutes from Carson City.

We would be happy to meet any club members who may be visiting the area and would offer them a 10% discount on anything in our store simply by showing us their membership card.
Our store is Stake Your Claim Gifts, 205 South C Street, P.O. Box 312, Virginia City NV 89440. Phone (775) 847-4455. Email nvpatricia@prodigy.net.

What a Difference a Decade Makes!

By Stephanie O'Neil #451

As my collection grows, so does my quest for desired silver art bars from the 1980's.

When I first began collecting silver art bars, I enjoyed collecting bars from the early 1970's and still do for that matter, as in my opinion, those bars should be the most collectible and sought-after, particularly the first bars made.

It wasn't until recently that I learned of the high quality and luster bars made from the 1980's have. And I thought those 1970's bars were beautiful!

Take a closer look at the bars made in the 1980's and see for yourself what a difference a decade makes!

2001 Design Contest

Please send your entries as soon as possible. We need to hear from you by July 1st. The theme for this year's ingot revolves around our 2001 meeting site at the Virginia Numismatic Association's 43rd annual show in Annandale, Virginia, Sept. 21-23.

Use this form or enlarge it. As always, the winning designer will receive full credit and the first strike of the bar, numbered #000.

Mail entries to: IASAC Design Contest, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118.

IASAC reserves the right to make any necessary changes to artwork to meet the specifications of the engraver. Entries become the property of IASAC.

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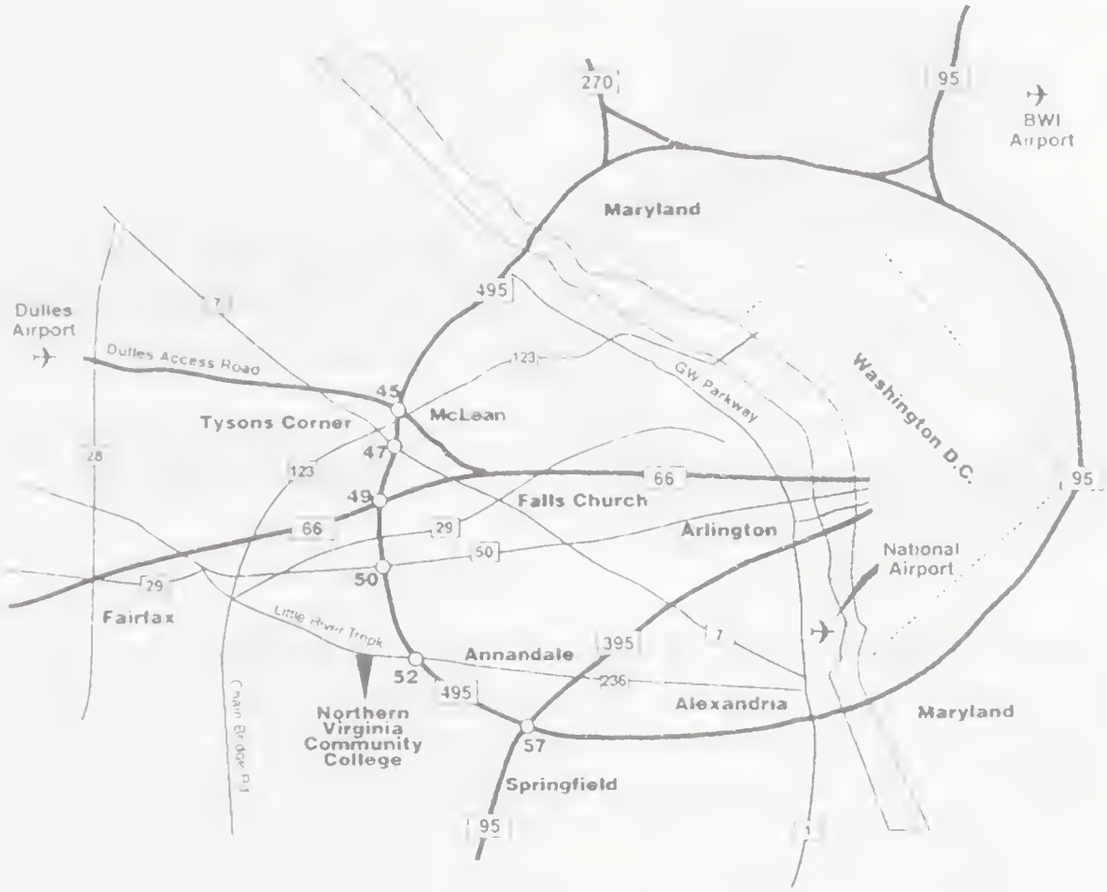

Campus Map:

Directions:

From I-495, take Exit 52 (Little River Turnpike) West toward **Fairfax.**

Continue approximately one mile, turn left at the third traffic light - **Wakefield Chapel Road.**

Turn into the campus from **Wakefield Chapel Road** at the third entrance on the left - **Center Drive.**

Follow signs to the **Community Cultural Center (CE) Lot.**

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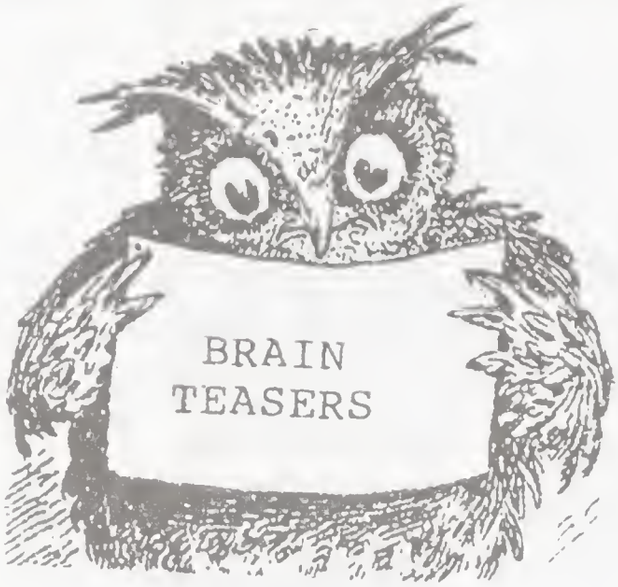

Winners will be selected from Correct answers postmarked On or Before July 6, 2001

Mail to IASAC, P.O. Box 28415 Seattle WA 98118

Name_____

Congratulations to **Bruce Hicks, Lynnae Clark, Dick Dashiell** and **Patti Finner** who were the lucky winners in the last game. Thanks to everyone else who played: **Doug Jennings, Mike Stanley, Chuck Diehl, Len Kruithof, Sandy Bearden, Chuck Luce, Jay O'Connor, M. F. Kendrick, Jerry Hall, Donald Nelson & Phil & Vi Asher**. Try your luck with this puzzle featuring things associated with picnics.

Summer, picnic, basket, ants, sunshine, suntan, fun, Fourth of July, flag, softball, paper plates, BBQ, barbecue, grill, charcoal, potato salad, baked beans, chicken, hot dog, hamburger, buns, ice cream, watermelon, lemonade, soda, family, friends.

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More Brain Teasers...

Lynnae M. Clark sent these puzzles which will test your mental agility, creativity and awareness of the world around you. To solve, figure out what words the initials represent in each equation. Some answers will come to mind immediately with a quick, intuitive leap. Other may be more frustrating.

1. 36 = I. in a Y _____ Inches in a Yard _____
2. 6 = W. of H. the E. _____
3. 101 = D. _____
4. 60 = S. in a M _____
5. 56 = S. of the D. of I. _____
6. 5 = F. on the H. _____
7. 7 = H. of R. _____
8. 212 = D. at which W. B. _____
9. 16 = O. in a P. _____
10. 50 = C. in a H. D. _____
11. 1 = D. at a T. _____
12. 13 = C. in a S. _____
13. 20,000 = L. U. the S. _____

Figure out all twelve and we'll find something in the prize kitty. Two prizes available! Be quick!!

Art Bars in their Heyday!

By Stephanie O'Neil #451

In the early 1970's, there was a new craze buzzing among coin dealers and coin collectors alike. The word was out, and that word was "Silver Art Bars!"

Collectors and dealers pushed art bars through the news media via advertising and articles in *Coin World* and *Numismatic News*. Authors were make their way by writing and publishing books and booklets on the subject of .999 fine silver one ounce art bars. Engravers of bars were on the scene, sketching ideas created by the dealers.

Minters and silver were much sought after by dealers, as both were an essential and vital part of the art bar industry. Advance orders were being taken. All was well with the bar scene. It must have been an exciting time back in the 70's for everyone involved with the new fad. Fad – they hoped not, as a lot of money, time and effort were poured into the industry. Profits – they hoped so, but would not know initially, as it was a 'wait and see' venture with an uncertain outcome!

People were purchasing bars for various reasons. A newly created hobby and the eye-catching beauty of the artwork were two, and yes, there was also the speculation of the hedge against inflation. There would always be the intrinsic value of silver that collectors could rely upon. One could not go wrong, but what went wrong with the decline of the art bar industry and hobby? Had the bar industry seen its' better days' and had those been in 1973 and 1974?

Did you know…?

- The oldest art bars listed in the Fifth Edition are four bars, each dated 1966 and minted by World Mint
- In 1968, only 13 bars were minted.
- In 1969, 44 bars were minted.
- In 1970, 23 bars were minted.
- In 1971, 138 bars were minted.
- In 1972, 146 bars were minted.

1973 and 1974 were the heydays for art bars as the total amount of art bars minted during those two years (1907) equaled one-third of all bars minted from their inception. It seemed dealers could not keep up with the demand for art bars. Silver spot was $2.56 to $4.00 an ounce in the early 1970's. More bar clubs were surfacing and membership totals were increasing. What happened?

The Hunt brothers of Texas cornered the market on silver in 1979 and 1980, which in turn shot the price of silver up to $50 an ounce until the government interceded

Heyday (cont.)

Did you know that in 1979, only 83 bars were minted and in 1980 an even smaller amount (66 bars) were made! Bars made in 1979 and 1980 should be very collectible in their own right since so few bars were made. Madison Mint, Greathouse and World Wide Mint were the real troopers of that time as they were the only three mints to keep production rolling those two consecutive years. World Wide Mint was the producer of those famous Coke bars that are much sought after today and command high prices.

It is obvious that this time period began the sharp decline of art bar minting. By 1981, art bars were on the rise, totaling 135 bars minted. 1982 looked slightly better with a total of 145 bars. In 1983, a total of 127 bars were made and in 1984, a total of 229 bars were minted. 1985 was a high point with 280, and in 1986, the total amount of bars minted declined to 160.

Unfortunately, bars never made their way up to the high numbers realized in their heyday in 1973 and 1974!

In the News...

The **Northern California Numismatic Association** will hold its Nor-Cal IV Invitational Coin Show July 27-29 in Concord. The show will feature a 70-table bourse, displays and exhibits. The show will be held at the Sheraton Concord Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive. For more information, contact IASAC club member Michael S. Turrini at P.O. Box 4101, Vallejo CA 94590-0411. Email stanyrbk@vusd.solanocoe.K12.ca.us.

Club member **Joe Ramos** has announced the release of the Virginia First Day of Issue cover, like past ones he has issued honoring the U.S. Mint's 50-state quarter's program. There is also a 2000-D Sacagawea First Day of Issue cover. This has a limited edition of 75, retailing at $32.50. For more information, write Joram PNCovers, 1929 Millis St., Montebello CA 90640-45433.

The Money Company is distributing a .999 fine silver coin from the Republic of Liberia honoring Roy Rogers, "King of the Cowboys.' It is one of a three-part series titled "Legends of the American West.' For information, write 5959 Tamp Ave., Tarzana CA 91356 or email moneyco@earthlink.net.

Alaska Mint is offering the official 2001 state medal featuring a mountain goat on the obverse. The reverse has the Alaska state seal. For information, write ARC, P O Box 72832, Fairbanks AK 99707 or email akcoins@mosquitonet com.

Just Humor Me

Is this what we have to look forward to in later life?

Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years they had shared numerous activities, travels and adventures. Lately, however, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards.

One day they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now, don't get mad at me…I know we've been friends for a long time…but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is."

Her friend glared at her. For at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally, she said,' How soon do you need to know?"

The English of Today

Some examples of why English is the most difficult language.

1. The bandage was wound around the wound.
2. The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
3. He could lead if he would get the lead out.
4. The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
5. The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
6. Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
7. I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
8. How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?
9. They were too close to close the two doors.
10. There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
11. We must polish our Polish furniture.
12. A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
13. A seamstress and a sewer fell down into the sewer line.
14. After a number of injections my jaw got number.
15. The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.

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FOR SALE: Nevada wild horse 1 oz. silver rounds. Wild horses obverse, Nevada state seal reverse. $10.50 postpaid; $12 postpaid in plastic case. Jay O'Connor, P.O. Box 312, Virginia City NV 89440.

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ONE OF MY RELATIVES sold all my silver bars for scrap for $4.90 each. I'm sick. Signed: Fred Grisa.

LANSA – Latin American Paper Money Society. Enjoy our newsletter, auctions, library & Member's Directory. Information from Peter Burkhart, P.O. Box 640811, Beverly Hills FL 34464.

PRODUCER of OHIO STATE FAIR SOUVENIR MEDALLIONS; very limited editions. Willard Coin Exchange, 1232 Park Ave., W. Mansfield Ohio 44906. (419) 520-9810. View on the web @ www.willardcoin.com.

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CHECK MY WEBSITE www.rivercitycoins.com for new listings. IASAC members receive a 10% discount on any bars purchased. Mike Sprouse # 090.

WANTED: Crown Mint Beauties and Holiday Beauties. CCM-27, CCM-30, CCM-37, CCM-44, CCM-45 & CCM-46. Paying $18 each. Also Adult Bars USSC-274 & USSC-276. Shawn Manley, 119 ½ East Abriendo Ave., Pueblo CO 81004.

Vallejo Numismatic Society

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MEDAL BEING OFFERED BY THE VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The Vallejo Numismatic Society, Vallejo, CA is now accepting prepaid orders for their 2001 medal commemorating it's 29th Annual Coin Show.

The medal also honors the 100th Anniversary of the dedication of St. Peter's Chapel located on Mare Island. St. Peter's Chapel was dedicated on October 1, 1901, and is the oldest chapel in the United States. It is the first military chapel to hold both Protestant and Catholic services. The chapel contains the largest collection of Tiffany windows on the West Coast. Albert Sutton, the architect, designed similar churches at Lake Placid, New York, and Jekyll Island, Georgia.

Orders will be accepted until July 4, 2001. All orders received after this date will be returned. Orders must be received by July 4th.

Silver versions of the medal with antique finish will be priced at $20.00 each. If one orders a silver medal, they may purchase an unlimited number of oxidized bronze at $3.00 each. If not ordering a silver medal, the oxidized bronze are priced at $6.00 each postage paid. A $2.00 per order postage and insurance fee must be added to silver orders.

Checks and Money Orders should be made payable to the Vallejo Numismatic Society. Send orders to Jan D. Henke, 1806 San Jose Pl., Fairfield, CA 94533-3929.

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Silver Medals____at $20.00 ea. $_____

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1993 UPDATE to the 5th Edition *Indexed Guide Book of Silver Art Bars.* All sales benefit IASAC. $10 each includes postage. P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118.

BUY or TRADE? I have 12 sterling silver medals from Franklin Mint dated 1973. The Life of Christ, 2000 grains each. Robert Easter, 8948 Mt. View Dr., Mentor OH 44060.

This .999 fine silver ingot was produced by Joel D. Rettew (JR-3). 10,000 were made, and 3,000 were melted.

ART BAR to be Centerpiece in ANA Hall of Fame

A silver art bar given to the late Helen Carmody-Lebo by current American Numismatic Association governor Patti Finner during Christmas 1981 will serve as the centerpiece of a plaque that will reside in the new ANA Hall of Fame conference room. The room is to be named in honor of Carmody-Lebo, who served as ANA vice president from 1999-2000.

Finner's husband, Rollie Finner, describes the bar as Carmody-Lebo's "first numismatic collectible." The piece is from the ANA's 82nd anniversary convention, held Aug. 21-27, 1973, in Boston.

(This news article appeared in the April 3, 2001 issue of *Numismatic News*.)

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WANTED: Silver Bars, INTER-1, IUI-1, PAT-1V1 and rounds depicting the Statue of Liberty. Bob Brown, 6305-157th St., Oak Forest IL 60452.

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The International Association of Silver Art Collectors (IASAC), established in 1985, is dedicated to the silver round and art bar hobbyist, collector, dealer and producer. All persons interested in this unique hobby are invited to join. The club regularly publishes its newsletter, 'The Silver Bugle,' providing some of the most interesting reading for you, the member. Not only do you receive advance notice of new rounds and bars, you may also take advantage of specials offered by the many IASAC member-dealers. We also produce limited edition silver bars and rounds for our members, and feature special contests for prizes. Isn't it time for you to take advantage of the benefits available as a member of the IASAC?

Yes, I would like to join the largest Silver Art Club in the world. Please enroll me as a member of IASAC.

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